Friends,

I am writing as a homeowner in the Torrey Hills district of Carmel Valley/Del Mar at 4684 Terraza Mar Marvelosa.

I am alarmed to learn that the current plan for San Diego redistricting would draw a line through the edge of our neighborhood, cutting off many streets but not others. The rationale for this specific map is not at all apparent.

I strongly encourage reconsideration of this plan and support my Torrey Hills neighbors in the effort to remain in District 1 along with the rest of the entire neighborhood.

There is no reason for a few streets at the edge of the canyon preserve to be politically isolated, not only from District 1 neighbors just across the street, but also the rest of District 2 residents who live miles away.

Redistricting neighborhoods is one thing. To slice off a few streets is a mistake. Our house overlooks the Los Penasquitos reserve. Why not make the district boundary trace the edge between the reserve and the houses that overlook it?

People vote, not shrubs and coyotes. We wish to remain with our human neighbors, not cut up street by street and to be -literally- cut off from the city.

With thanks,

Benjamin Bratton